

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Original): A lens holder comprising:

a holding member that holds lenses;

a guide shaft that supports the holding member when the holding member is moved along the optical axis of the lenses;

a base perpendicularly to which the guide shaft is locked;

a first bearing member that is molded as an integral part of the base in order to bear the end of the guide shaft distal to the base;

a second bearing member that when the first bearing member bears the end of the guide shaft distal to the base, bears the end of the guide shaft proximal to the base, wherein:
the lens holder is a rear barrel part of a collapsible lens barrel.

Claim 2 (Original): The lens holder according to Claim 1, wherein the first bearing member comprises a bearing that is disposed to bear the end of the guide shaft distal to the base, and a support that links the base and the bearing.

Claim 3 (Original): The lens holder according to Claim 1, wherein the second bearing member is rotated by one or less turn with the guide shaft as a center while bearing the end of the guide shaft proximal to the base, and is thus locked in the base.

Claim 4 (Original): The lens holder according to Claim 1, wherein the second bearing member is screwed to the base and thus locked in the base.

Claim 5 (Original): The lens holder according to Claim 1, wherein the second bearing member also serves as a mounting member for use in mounting a part on the side of the base opposite to the side thereof on which the guide shaft is mounted.

Claim 6 (Original): The lens holder according to Claim 1, wherein the second bearing member is molded as an integral part of the base.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A lens barrel including the lens holder set forth in ~~any of Claims 1 to 6~~ Claim 1.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): An imaging apparatus comprising:
a lens barrel including the lens holder set forth in ~~any of Claims 1 to 6~~ Claim 1; and
an imaging device that converts an image, which is picked up through the lenses incorporated in the lens barrel, into an electrical signal.